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WSDOT's crack repair on the Alaskan Way Viaduct is complete!

SEATTLE – The Washington State Department of Transportation has finished repair work on the Alaskan Way Viaduct a day ahead of schedule. A small but growing crack was found on a beam last month. WSDOT crews installed a steel column to support the damaged beam and distribute the weight through the column, footing and joint.

This small crack had grown from 4 mm to 7 mm since March. The crack was on a structure near Columbia and Yesler streets, on a joint in the southbound driving lane.

Due to the early completion of work, there will not be lane closures on the viaduct tomorrow

WSDOT bridge engineers and inspectors will continue to monitor the viaduct every three months and conduct full inspections every six months, as has been done since 2001.

For more information on the viaduct, go to www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/viaduct.

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